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WE HAD BEEN FLYING FOR HOURS...  
WE WERE BOTH HUNGRY -- AND THE  
WASTELAND SEEMED TO STRETCH  
OUT TO INFINITY...

HEY, FERRA --  
WHAT ABOUT  
DOWN THERE? IT  
LOOKS PRETTY  
INVITING...

SUITS ME, RAVAGE... I  
LEARNED SOME TIME AGO  
THAT I CAN'T FLY FOREVER  
WITH YOU ON MY BACK.

IT WAS SO GOOD  
TO SLEEP IN THE  
WILD... UNDER  
THE STARS...

THERE ARE SOME LARGER  
ANIMALS DRINKING ON THE  
OTHER SIDE OF THE OASIS...  
I'M JUST GOING TO FEED!

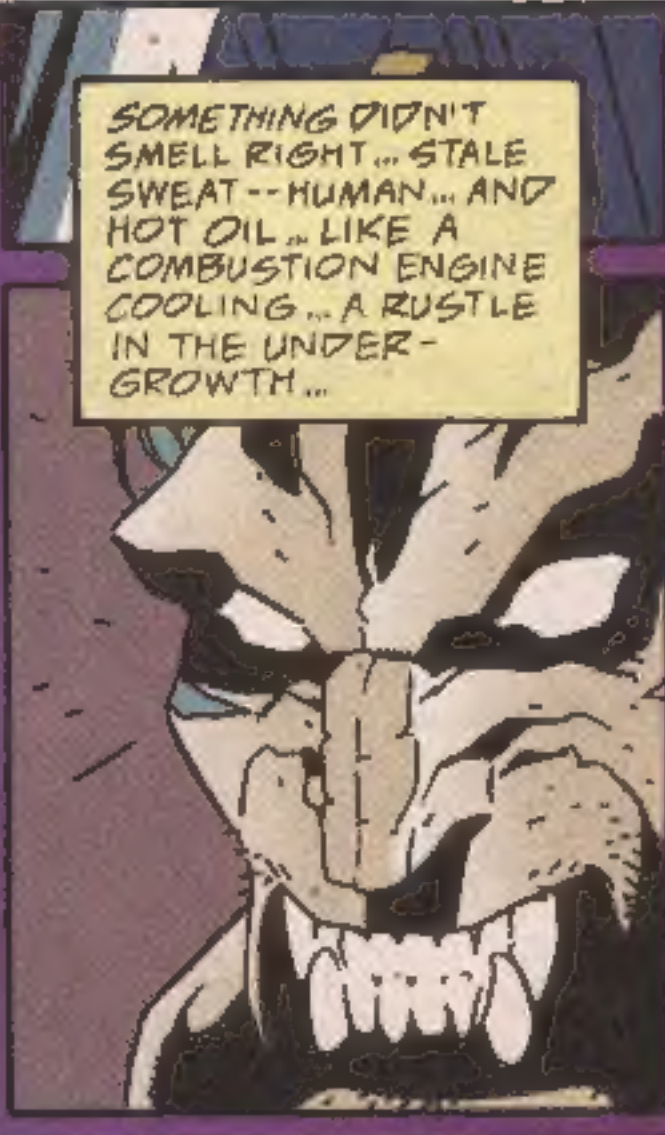
G'NIGHT,  
FERRA...  
HAVE  
BLOODY  
DREAMS!

ALWAYS  
DO, RAV...!

UGH! DO YOU HAVE TO TELL  
ME? I KNOW WE'RE FELLOW  
BEASTS, BUT I STILL GET  
SQUEAMISH WHEN I THINK  
OF HOW YOU EAT...

...COULDN'T YOU  
HAVE BEEN A  
FRUIT BAT?!





FERRA...  
HEY FERRA  
-- WAKE  
UP!

I KNOW--  
I DETECTA...

I KNOW--  
I DETECT A...

...DISTURBANCE?



BIG  
MISTAKE, BIKE  
BOYS! I DON'T  
LIKE BEING  
WOKEN UP FROM  
MY BEAUTY  
SLEEP!





FERRA!  
MOVE IT! THESE  
PSYCHOS AREN'T  
MESSING  
AROUND!

RAVAGE, I MAY  
NOT LOOK IT TO  
YOU... BUT I'M A  
LADY-- AND I  
MOVE WHEN I  
WANT TO MOVE.


FINE!  
GUESS YOU  
WANT ME TO  
TAKE CARE OF  
THESE JERKS  
ON MY OWN,  
THEN?

IIIIEESH!  
AARGH!

NOT AT ALL,  
RAVAGE-- I  
FIGHT IN MY  
OWN WAY..


...ALTHOUGH IT  
IS A LITTLE  
EARLY FOR  
BREAKFAST..






THAT'LL FINISH  
YOU... FREAK! YOU'RE  
ON THE "ROAD RAT"  
RANGE... MEANS, IF N'  
YOU AIN'T A RAT...  
YOU'RE DEAD!

GRRR! YOU  
THINK I'M A  
FREAK...? AT LEAST  
I STILL HAVE A  
FACE!




WHAT  
D'YA MEAN,  
"STILL HAVE  
A FA--  
**AAIEEGH!**




RAVAGE... BEHIND  
YOU! HE HAS  
A GUN!


**SKRUNCH**



C'MON,  
BUTT-HEAD!  
SHOOT!  
YOU MIGHT  
GET LUCKY...  
I MIGHT  
EVEN FEEL  
IT...!



ER...  
I,  
ER...



NO...  
PLEASE...

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING  
FOR, HERO...? RUN! BEFORE  
I PULL YOUR LEGS OFF AND  
MAKE YOU WRIGGLE BACK  
UNDER YOUR STONE...



DO YOU WANT  
ME TO GO  
AFTER HIM?

NO. LET HIM  
LIVE--HE MIGHT TELL  
THE OTHER RATS  
NOT TO TANGLE  
WITH US..

..LET'S FIND  
SOMEWHERE ELSE  
TO SLEEP..THIS  
PLACE STINKS!

OH, I WAS  
JUST THINKING  
HOW NICE  
IT SMELLED  
HERE!

RATTEGOTT!  
WHAT OR WHO  
WERE THOSE  
TWO...?

THEY COULD  
REALLY FIGHT,  
THOSE TWO, EH...?  
IT MUST HAVE  
BEEN QUITE A  
SURPRISE...

WH--?  
WHO  
ARE  
YOU?

MAYBE THE  
BIG ONE WAS  
BLUFFING...?  
MAYBE I  
SHOULD HAVE  
SHOT THEM  
BOTH...?

OOOF!





MY NAME IS ATRIN. I'M YOUR FRIEND... I WANT TO HELP YOU...

TELL ME... IT FELT BAD BEING BEATEN, DIDN'T IT?

ARE YOU BURNING FOR-- REVENGE?

YOU LITTLE SQUIRT...



I'LL SHOW YOU HOW BEING BEATEN FEELS...



DON'T DO THAT! I TOLD YOU-- I'M A FRIEND.

NOW, HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE ANOTHER CHANCE AT THE LARGE ONE WITH THE CLAWS... HIS NAME IS RAVAGE, BY THE WAY...



UH... YEAH --I MEAN, YES--I WOULD...



KRAK!

POP!

GRIND!

BUT FIRST WE MUST ALTER YOU... MAKE YOU MORE FIT FOR COMBAT...





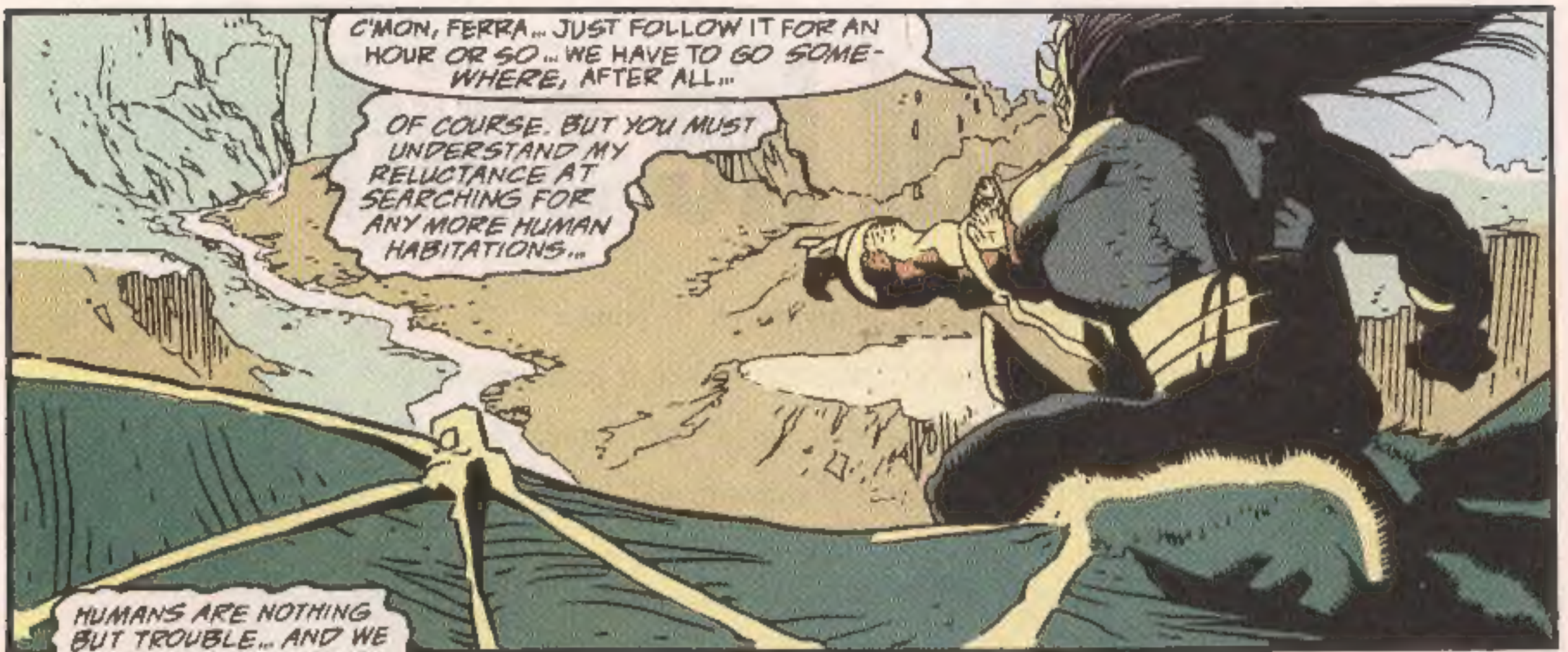
HHH GRRRRUURGH!

AFTER ALL... YOU DIDN'T DO VERY WELL ON YOUR LAST ENCOUNTER...

... BUT A FEW MODIFICATIONS ARE ALL THAT'S NEEDED TO MAKE YOU A MORE FORMIDABLE FOE...

... ALSO THE CONSTANT PAIN YOU EXPERIENCE WILL KEEP YOU BATTLE-HONED AND AGGRESSIVE!





C'MON, FERRA... JUST FOLLOW IT FOR AN HOUR OR SO... WE HAVE TO GO SOMEWHERE, AFTER ALL...

OF COURSE. BUT YOU MUST UNDERSTAND MY RELUCTANCE AT SEARCHING FOR ANY MORE HUMAN HABITATIONS...

HUMANS ARE NOTHING BUT TROUBLE... AND WE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE LOOKING FOR THE "VALLEY OF THE BEASTS!"

... AND WHO KNOWS-- IF WE FOLLOW ENOUGH RIVERS... WE MIGHT FIND IT... AT LEAST IT'S A PLAN...

WELL, A VALLEY IS MADE BY A RIVER...



... AND IF WE... THOR'S BLOOD!



FERRA... CAN IT BE TRUE...?!



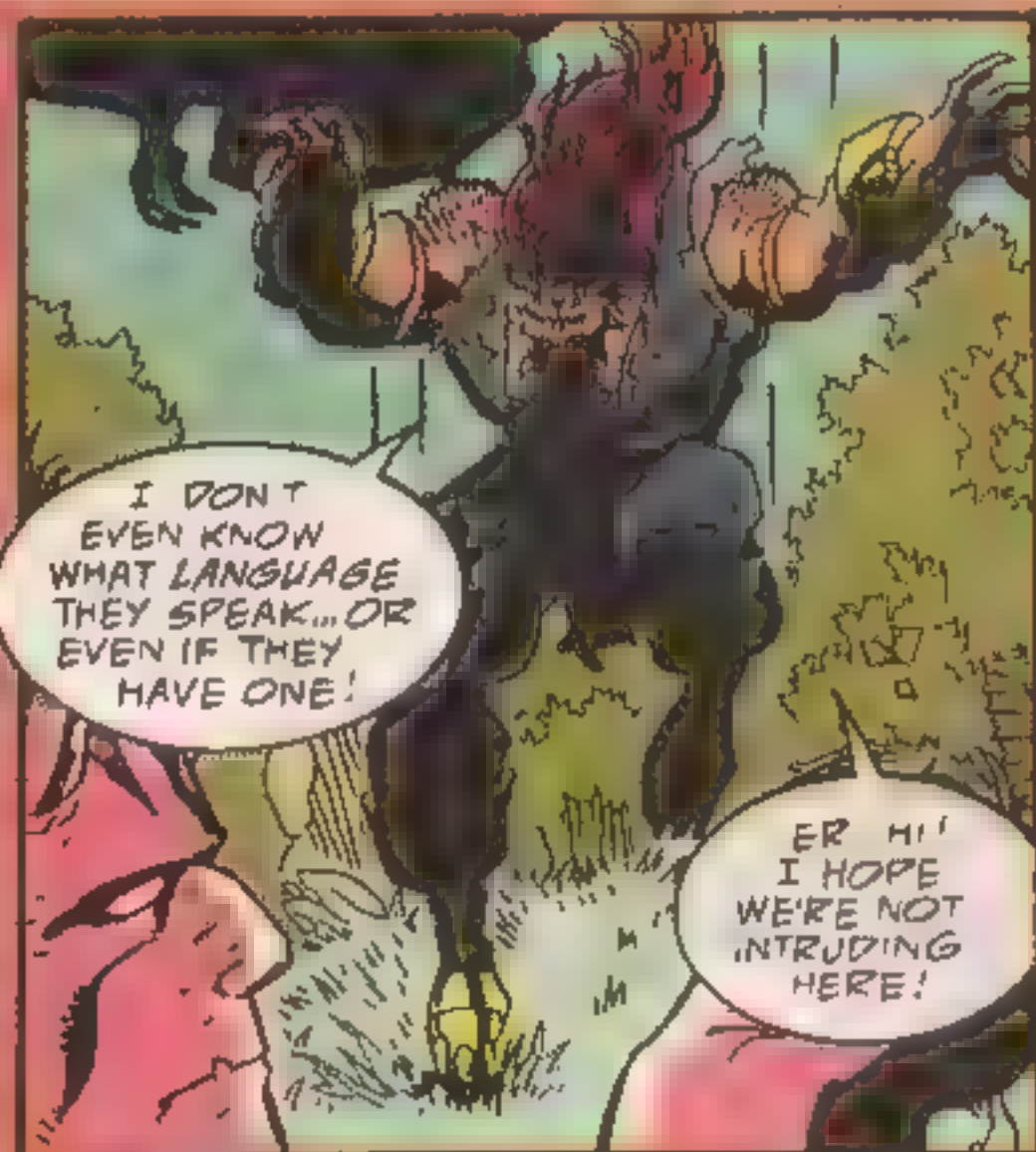


WE'VE  
FOUND IT,  
FERRA! THE  
VALLEY OF  
THE  
BEASTS!

OUR SEARCH  
IS OVER... THIS IS  
OUR HOME!

I HAVE  
TO ADMIT--I  
WASN'T SURE IT  
REALLY EXISTED  
NOW!





I DON'T  
EVEN KNOW  
WHAT LANGUAGE  
THEY SPEAK...OR  
EVEN IF THEY  
HAVE ONE!

ER HI!  
I HOPE  
WE'RE NOT  
INTRUDING  
HERE!

MY NAME IS  
RAVAGE. THIS IS  
MY FRIEND,  
FERRA. IF IT'S  
OKAY WE'D  
LIKE TO STAY  
HERE AND-

THEY'RE NOT HEARING YOU,  
RAVAGE... THERE'S SOMETHING  
STRANGE ABOUT THIS PLACE...  
MY SONICS RETURN TO ME  
DISTORTED...



IT'S ALL REAL--  
BUT SOMETHING  
ISN'T RIGHT...



HELLO!  
CAN YOU  
HEAR ME?

YOU SEEM  
TO BE VERY  
SIMILAR TO  
MYSELF..

FERRA,  
YOU'RE RIGHT.  
NO ONE SEEMS  
TO KNOW WE'RE  
HERE



Hmm... DIDN'T BARRIO MAN  
SAY THIS PLACE WAS  
DIMENSIONALLY UNSTABLE...  
PERHAPS IF WE..

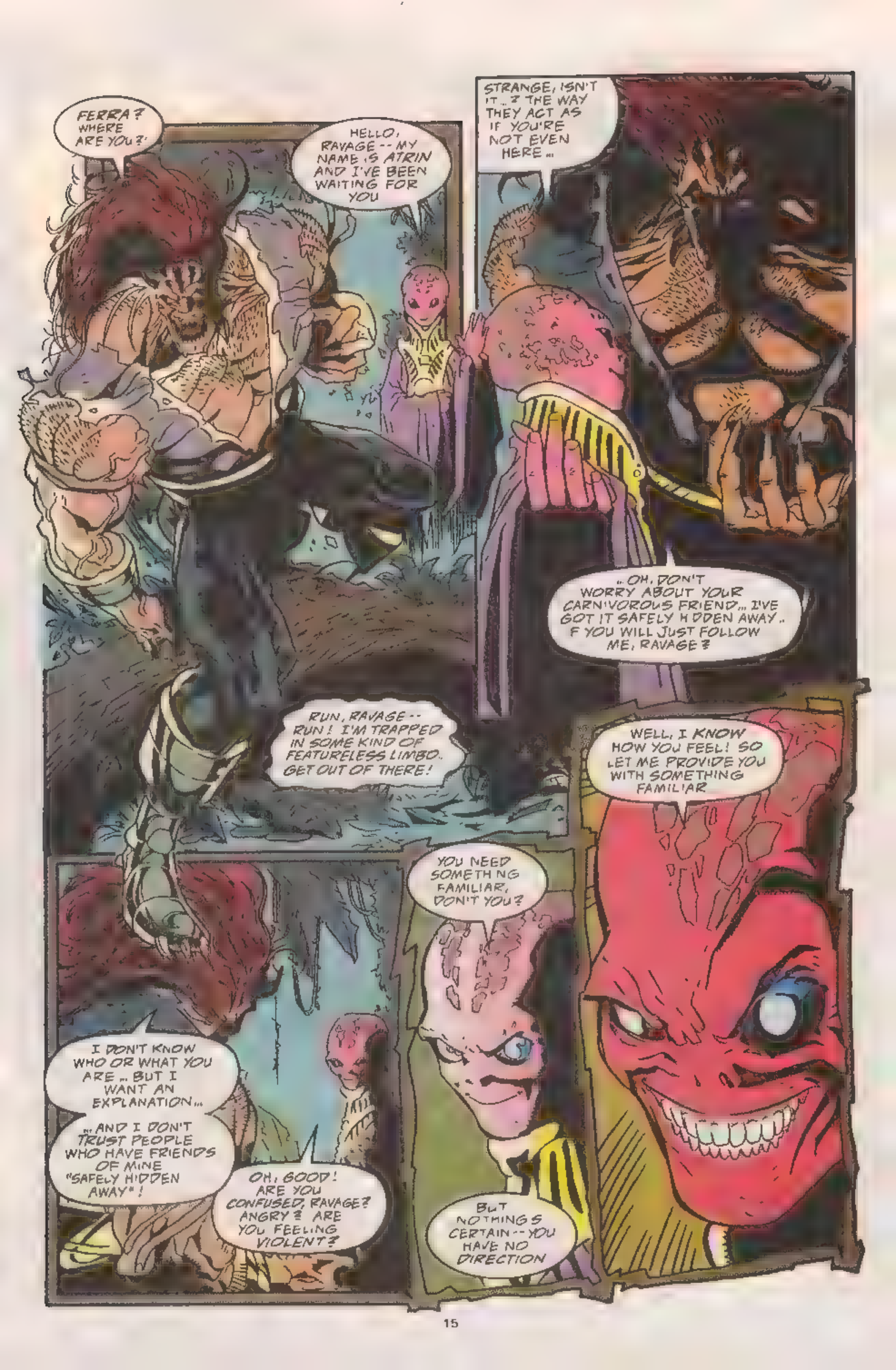
IF WE,  
WHAT...?

.. FERRA??



"FERRA...?  
WHERE  
ARE YOU...?"





FERRA?  
WHERE  
ARE YOU?

HELLO,  
RAVAGE-- MY  
NAME IS ATRIN  
AND I'VE BEEN  
WAITING FOR  
YOU

STRANGE, ISN'T  
IT...? THE WAY  
THEY ACT AS  
IF YOU'RE  
NOT EVEN  
HERE...

"OH, DON'T  
WORRY ABOUT YOUR  
CARNIVOROUS FRIEND... I'VE  
GOT IT SAFELY HIDDEN AWAY..  
IF YOU WILL JUST FOLLOW  
ME, RAVAGE?

RUN, RAVAGE--  
RUN! I'M TRAPPED  
IN SOME KIND OF  
FEATURELESS LIMBO..  
GET OUT OF THERE!

WELL, I KNOW  
HOW YOU FEEL! SO  
LET ME PROVIDE YOU  
WITH SOMETHING  
FAMILIAR

I DON'T KNOW  
WHO OR WHAT YOU  
ARE... BUT I  
WANT AN  
EXPLANATION...

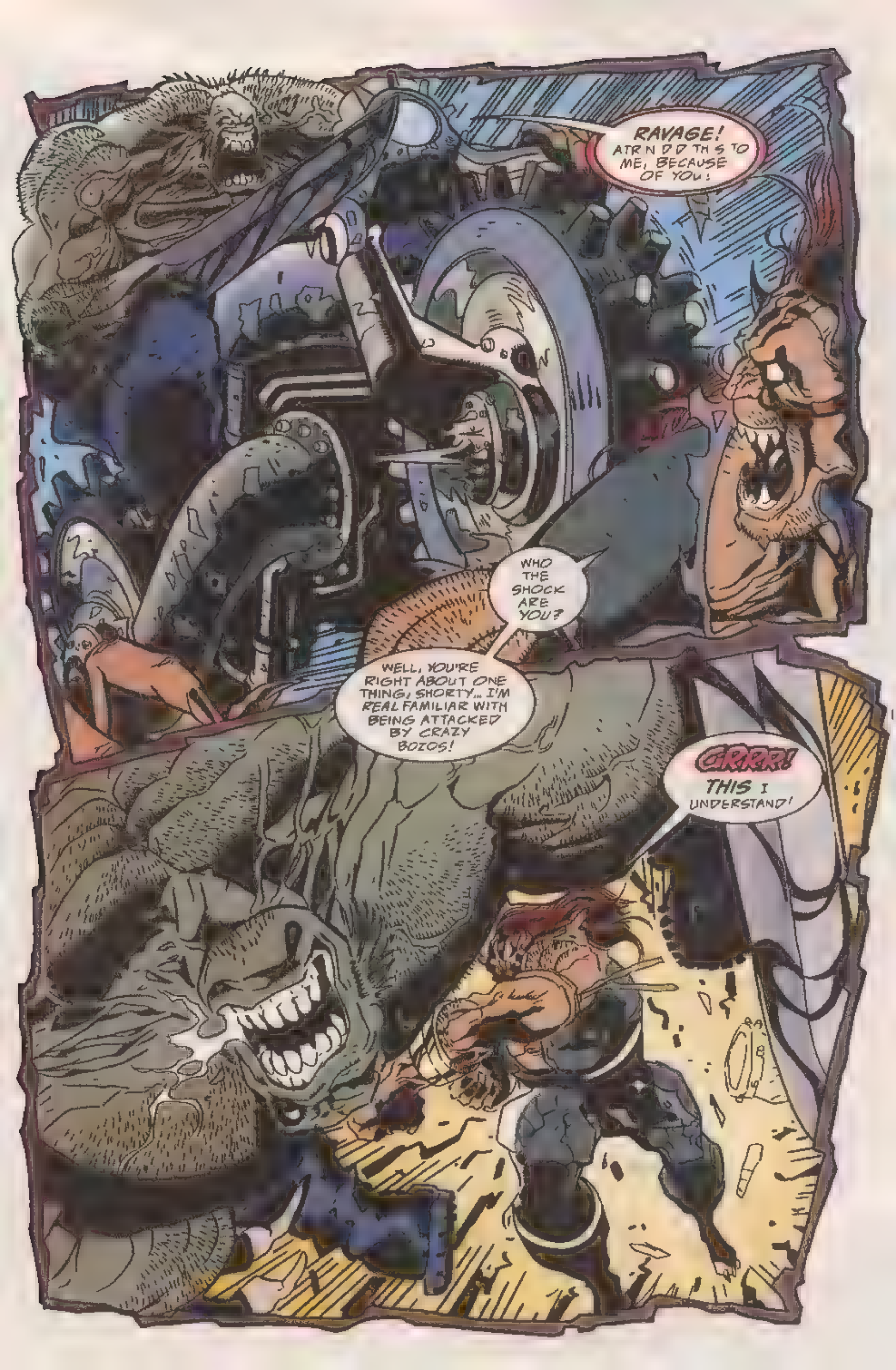
"AND I DON'T  
TRUST PEOPLE  
WHO HAVE FRIENDS  
OF MINE  
"SAFELY HIDDEN  
AWAY"!

OH, GOOD!  
ARE YOU  
CONFUSED, RAVAGE?  
ANGRY? ARE  
YOU FEELING  
VIOLENT?

YOU NEED  
SOMETHING  
FAMILIAR,  
DON'T YOU?

BUT  
NOTHING'S  
CERTAIN-- YOU  
HAVE NO  
DIRECTION






RAVAGE!  
ATTEND TO THIS TO  
ME, BECAUSE  
OF YOU!

WHO  
THE  
SHOCK  
ARE  
YOU?

WELL, YOU'RE  
RIGHT ABOUT ONE  
THING, SHORTY... I'M  
REAL FAMILIAR WITH  
BEING ATTACKED  
BY CRAZY  
BOZOS!

**GRRR!**  
THIS I  
UNDERSTAND!





I DON'T BLST  
SO EASY, RAVAGE™  
I'VE BEEN  
MODIFIED!

TH'S  
TIME I GET  
TO KICK  
THE SHOCK  
OUT OF  
YOU!

THAT'S IT,  
WARRORS.  
FIGHT!  
HACK! SLAY!  
MAIM!

DON'T  
MESS WITH  
THE RATS,  
RUGFACE!

THIS TIME  
IT'S GONNA BE  
DIFFERENT!

I'M  
MODIFIED,  
YOU  
HEAR?!

KIKRACK!

RAAAAAAGH!





YEAH,  
WELL,  
SO AM  
I

WHEN IT  
COMES TO  
INDESTRUCTIBLE,  
I TAKE THE  
CAKE!

GONNA BLEED  
YOU, FREAK GONNA  
TAKE YOUR SHOCK N'  
HEAD BACK TO  
CAMP ON A  
STICK!

AAGHH!

SSS-SLASH!

I RECOGNIZE  
YOU. YOU'RE ONE OF  
THOSE RAT-BUTTS  
THAT ATTACKED US  
DURING THE  
NIGHT!





"SO YOU'VE BEEN MODIFIED...?"

KISS GOODBYE TO LIFE, JERK!



"THINK I'LL DO A LITTLE MOD FLYING."

"MYSELF."

YOU'LL HAVE TO DO BETTER THAN THAT, FURBALL!



I RIPPED THE  
LAST JERK WHO  
CALLED ME "FURBALL"  
INTO PIECES..  
LOOKS LIKE I'LL BE  
MAKING IT A  
HABIT

OH..?  
SO WHAT  
ARE YOU  
GOING  
TO ?

I'VE TRED  
YOUR CLAW...  
CHECK OUT  
MINE!

**WAAH!**

HEY,  
ATRIN--  
CATCH  
THIS!

OOOFFF!

WATCH IT, YOU  
CLUMSY FOOL... I DON'T  
LIKE PERSONAL  
CONTACT!



**YAAAAH!**

IS THAT SO? WELL, IF YOU  
DON'T LIKE CONTACT  
SPORTS---STAY OUT OF  
THE RING!

JUST ME  
AND YOU,  
SHORTY...

I COULD DESTROY YOU  
WITH EASE, RAVAGE, AS I  
BELIEVE I HAVE JUST  
DEMONSTRATED... BUT I  
CHOOSE TO LET YOU LIVE

HAVE  
YOU NO  
CURIOSITY?

HOLD, RAVAGE!  
BEFORE YOU  
ATTACK, HEAR  
ME OUT...

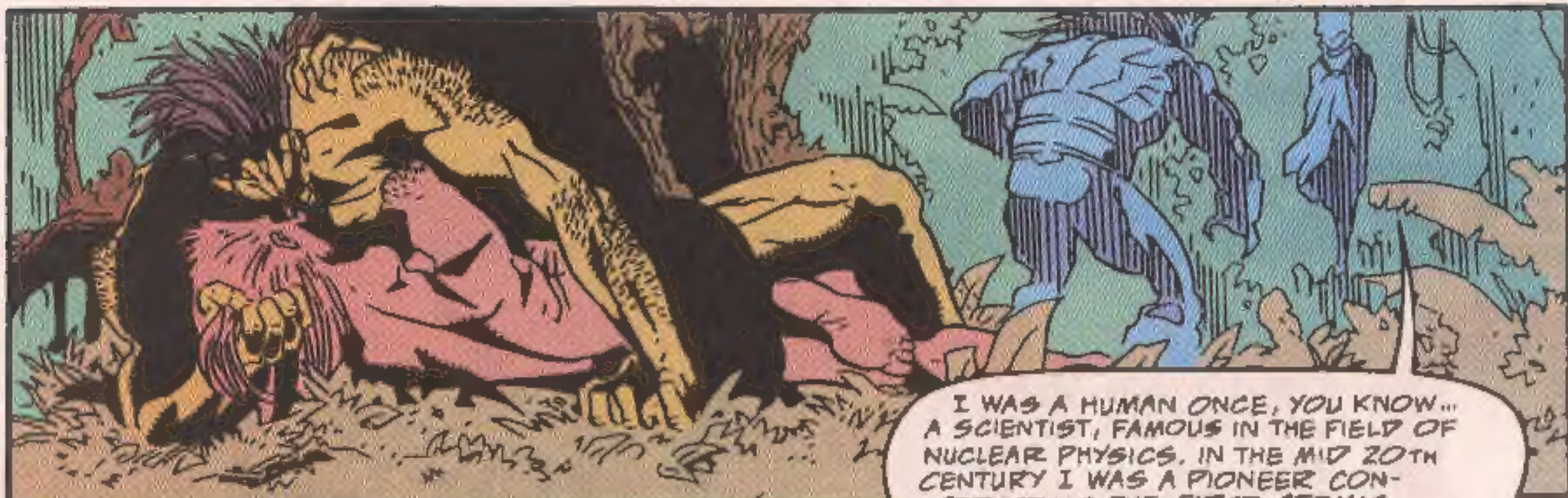
NO, I HAVEN'T... BUT I DON'T  
THINK THAT'LL STOP YOU FROM  
DELIVERING A SPEECH

RAVAGE, DON'T ATTACK.  
I'M VERY CLOSE TO YOUR  
PRESENT LOCATION... I THINK  
THERE'S A WAY OUT OF THIS

I AM LIKE A SPIDER,  
YOU SEE, RAVAGE...  
AND YOU ARE MY FLY...  
THIS CURSED VALLEY  
IS MY WEB...

BUT IT'S NOT FOOD I'M  
AFTER... IT'S ENTERTAINMENT





I WAS A HUMAN ONCE, YOU KNOW...  
A SCIENTIST, FAMOUS IN THE FIELD OF  
NUCLEAR PHYSICS. IN THE MID 20TH  
CENTURY I WAS A PIONEER CON-  
STRUCTING THE FIRST ATOMIC  
WEAPONS...

WE HAD BEEN  
TOLD THERE WAS  
NOTHING IN THE  
DESERT BUT CACTUS,  
WILDLIFE, AND A  
HANDFUL OF  
INDIANS...

UNFORTUNATELY  
I STUMBLED  
ACROSS THIS VALLEY  
...WHEN EVERYONE  
ELSE HAD RETIRED  
TO SAFETY--I WAS  
TRAPPED HERE!

THEY TRIGGERED  
THE BOMB ANYWAY, EVEN  
THOUGH THEY KNEW I MUST  
HAVE BEEN SOMEWHERE  
IN THE FLASH ZONE!

I SURVIVED, OF  
COURSE...THIS PLACE IS  
JUST ONE OF MANY  
"VALLEY OF THE BEASTS"  
AND THEY ARE ALL  
DIMENSIONALLY UNSTABLE...  
YOU HAVE YET TO FIND  
YOURS-- THE BOMB  
HARDLY AFFECTED  
THIS ONE...

...BUT IT  
CHANGED ME,  
RAVAGE...  
HORRIBLY! I  
DIDN'T ALWAYS  
LOOK LIKE THIS!  
I DON'T BELONG  
TO YOUR  
DIMENSION OR  
THIS ONE.

I AM TRAPPED  
WITHIN A CERTAIN  
RADIUS OF THIS VALLEY...  
AND I CAN'T INTERACT  
WITH ANYONE HERE... I  
CAN AFFECT NOTHING OF  
THIS DIMENSION... YOU  
HAVE NO IDEA HOW  
BORED I AM!

MY CONDITION  
HAS ITS ADVANTAGES,  
HOWEVER... BY AN ACT OF  
WILL, I CAN TWIST AND  
DISTORT THE FABRIC OF  
YOUR DIMENSION!



VERY SAD! BUT IT'S  
NOT MY PROBLEM...  
WHAT AM I  
SUPPOSED TO DO?

STAY HERE! BE MY  
GLADIATOR, AS I LURE  
OTHERS TO THIS  
SPOT... AFTER ALL, IF  
YOU REFUSE I'LL  
ANNIHILATE YOU  
RIGHT HERE  
AND NOW.

HATE TO  
INTERRUPT,  
RAVAGE... BUT  
I THINK I'M  
ABOUT TEN  
FEET UNDER  
THE GROUND  
YOU'RE  
STANDING ON...

IF THERE WERE SOME WAY YOU  
COULD GET DOWN HERE... THE  
SOIL IS OF OUR DIMENSION--  
I THINK THE VALLEY IS  
MANIFESTED UPON IT...

OH, WELL--  
HERE GOES  
NOTHING!

YOU FOOL--  
I WILL VAPORIZE  
YOU FOR THAT!

AGH...!  
THAT WAS  
STUPID!

THANKS,  
SUCKER!

NO!  
WHAT  
ARE  
YOU...

WOOOOSH!





WHAT ARE YOU DOING...  
HOW DID YOU KNOW?

C'MON, FERRA  
--WHERE THE SHOCK ARE YOU?

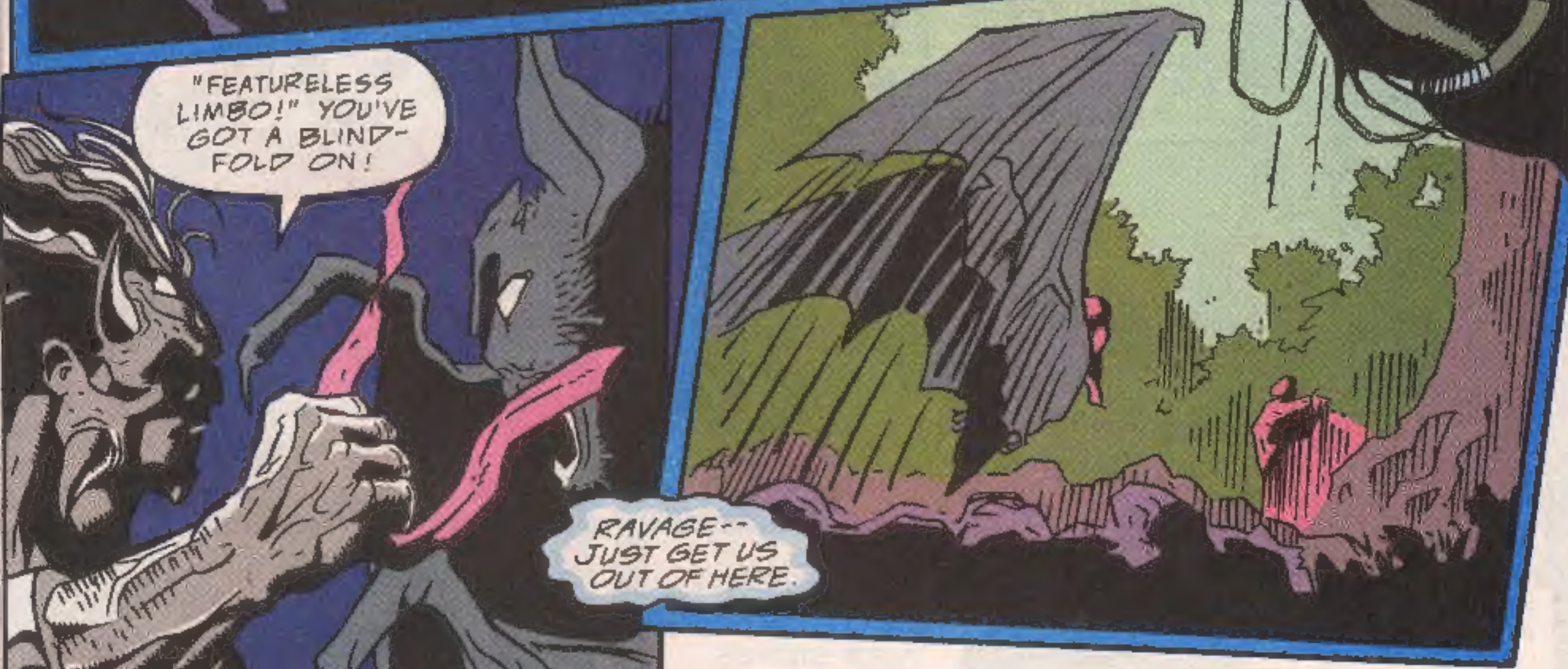
YOU'RE CLOSE,  
RAVAGE. JUST A  
LITTLE FURTHER.



FERRA!  
WHERE ARE YOU?

FERRA?!

THERE'S NO  
NEED TO SHOUT.



"FEATURELESS  
LIMBO!" YOU'VE  
GOT A BLIND-  
FOLD ON!

RAVAGE--  
JUST GET US  
OUT OF HERE.





THANKS FOR ALL THE CLUES... FOR A SCIENTIST, YOU'RE PRETTY STUPID.

YOU CAN'T AFFECT THIS ROCK... BUT IT SURE CAN AFFECT YOU!

WHAT ARE YOU...? NO!

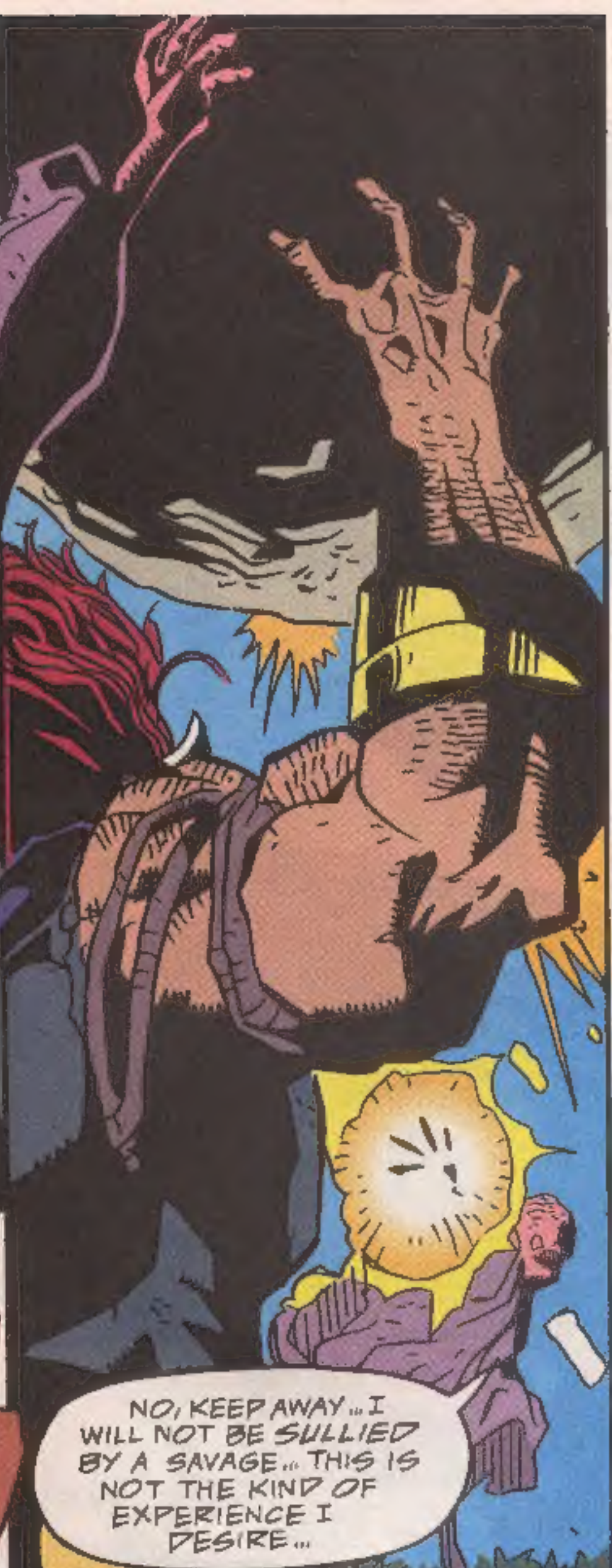


THE CREATURES IN THE VALLEY WERE AWARE OF HIM ALL THAT TIME... THEY JUST IGNORED HIM...



HIS IMMENSE FRUSTRATION AND LONELINESS MAY HAVE BEEN DESERVED...

...BUT WATCHING THESE STRANGE CREATURES SOMBERLY PILING THEIR STONES UPON ATRIN'S BODY...



NO, KEEP AWAY... I WILL NOT BE SULLIED BY A SAVAGE... THIS IS NOT THE KIND OF EXPERIENCE I DESIRE...



...I KNOW THIS ISN'T MY "VALLEY OF THE BEASTS"!